Basic Detail Report



Spear

Date 1800s

Primary Maker Northern African

Medium

etched iron, brass inlay, wood

Description

Iron. Flat, leaf-shaped double edge blade with tall conical socket. Both faces of blade etched with thuluth script overall. Socket inlaid

with thick, crude strips of brass wire in undulating & straight axial lines. Traces of effaced molding at base of socket & other older decoration suggest head decorated at later date during working life. Circular-section wooden shaft, perhaps restored; hole at the base of the shaft evidently for an old display mounting.

Dimensions

 $174 \times 35 \times 8.5$ cm (68 $1/2 \times 13$ $3/4 \times 3$ 3/8 in.), 1 lb, 5 oz (weight)